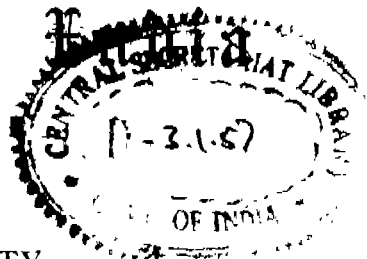


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LOK SABHA

The following Bill was introduced in Lok Sabha on the 21st December, 1956:—

BILL No. 82 OF 1956

A Bill to provide for the protection and maintenance of old and infirm persons under the Directive Principles of State Policy.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the protection and maintenance of the old and infirm persons in India:

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Seventh Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

5 1. (1) This Act may be called the Old and Infirm Persons' Homes Act, 19 . Short title,
extent and
commence-
ment.

(2) It extends to the whole of India except the State of Jammu and Kashmir.

10 (3) It shall come into force on such dates and in such areas as the State Governments may, by notification in their Official Gazettes, appoint.

2. In this Act unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context— Definitions.

15 (a) "Home" means home for the old and infirm persons who are kept there for maintenance;

(b) "Board" means Board of Control as provided in section 4;

(c) "old" means a person who has attained the age of sixty years;

(d) "infirm" means a person who is physically weak though he might not have attained the age of sixty years; and

(e) "registered member" means a member of the Old and Infirm Persons' Home whose name occurs on the roll of subscribers' register maintained by the Managing Committee, who pays subscription and who is eligible to vote. 5

States to
maintain
Homes.

3. Every State shall maintain at least one Home, preferably at its capital, which shall be managed and aided by it.

Board of
Control.

4. There shall be a Board of Control consisting of two official and three non-official members for the maintenance of each Home. 10

Managing
Committee.

5. (1) There shall be a Managing Committee elected by the general body of the registered members of the Home.

(2) The function of the Committee shall be to manage and supervise the Home.

(3) The Committee shall have powers to make rules for the efficient management and supervision of the Home. 15

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

There are hundreds of old and infirm persons who are entitled to get maintenance under the Directive Principles of State Policy.

The object of the Bill is to protect and maintain the old persons who have no means of livelihood. The Bill seeks to help the old and infirm persons to begin with by having at least one Home in each State.

KRISHNACHARYA JOSHI.

NEW DELHI;

The 2nd October, 1956.

FINANCIAL MEMORANDUM

Clause 3 of the Bill involves some expenditure. It is not possible at this stage to indicate the exact amount of expenditure. But to start with a recurring grant of Rs. 5 lakhs should be sanctioned. A Committee consisting of Members of Parliament, Officials and Non-officials in each State should be appointed to work out the scheme until Homes can be established by Government. The Committee would in consultation with the State Governments arrange with existing Government hostels or reliable private individuals for undertaking the care of the old and infirm.

MEMORANDUM REGARDING DELEGATED LEGISLATION

The rule making power under the Bill is of a normal character. The scope of clause 5(3) is limited to the efficient functioning of the Managing Committee to be established under this Bill.

M. N. KAUL,
Secretary.

